

# MIXED RECYCLING (dumpsters)

## PAPER & CARDBOARD

### YES

Junk Mail  
All Books  
Receipts (carbonless ok)  
Shredded Paper & Paper Bags  
Newspaper, Magazines, & Catalogs  
Cardboard & All Boxes (flattened)  
Office Paper & Envelopes (all colors)  
Molded Pulp Egg Cartons and Packaging



### NO

Napkins or Towels  
Paper Plates or Cups  
Facial Tissue, Diapers or Pads  
Food Wrappings or Takeout Containers  
Paper Juice Cans or Beverage Boxes  
Paper Milk or Ice Cream Cartons  
Waxed Paper or Waxed Boxes  
Blueprints or Carbon Paper  
Photographs or Stickers



## GLASS

### YES

Bottles & Jars Only (all colors)



### NO

Window Glass or Mirrors  
Drinking Glasses, Dishes or Pyrex  
Fluorescent Bulbs<sup>1</sup> or Light Bulbs



## METAL

### YES

All Metal Items (paint & rust ok)  
Mostly Metal Items with Some Plastic  
Steel, Stainless Steel & Aluminum  
Copper, Lead & Brass  
Aluminum Foil & Pie Pans  
Pots, Pans & Utensils  
Small Car Parts & Tools  
**Empty** Paint & Aerosol Cans  
Aluminum, Tin & Steel Cans  
Pipes



### NO

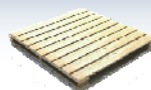
Oil Filters<sup>1</sup>  
Cans Containing Paint or Chemicals<sup>1</sup>  
Tanks Containing Fuel or Gases<sup>1</sup>  
Empty Fuel or Gas Tanks<sup>2</sup>  
Very Heavy Items or Vehicle Parts<sup>1</sup>



## WOOD & CARPET

### YES

Carpet & Padding  
Lumber, Plywood, Particle Board & Pallets  
(painted or with nails or screws OK)



### NO

Particle Board with Plastic Laminate

## PLASTIC

### YES

**All plastic must be clean & free of food**  
All Solid Plastic Items (metal screws ok)  
#1 - 7 Containers (except Styrofoam)  
Cups, Lids, Utensils & Straws  
Plastic Household Items  
Plastic Toys  
Plastic Buckets  
Shrink Wrap  
Tarps & Plastic Sheets  
Pipe & Irrigation Hose  
Nursery Flats & Pots  
Plastic Furniture  
Bubble Wrap  
Plastic Bags



### NO

Styrofoam  
Battery Operated Electronics<sup>3</sup>  
Anything with an Electrical Cord<sup>3</sup>  
Items That Are Only Partly Plastic  
Containers with Food or Liquid in Them



<sup>1</sup>Hazardous waste. Take to UCSB site or call 882-3602 for information.

<sup>2</sup>Recycle at Santa Barbara Iron & Metal 966-4468.

<sup>3</sup>Prohibited in trash or recycling. Call 882-3615 for proper disposal.

## What is Mixed Recycling?

Commingled and Cardboard Plus Recycling have been replaced by Mixed Recycling. This guide is for dumpsters, compactors, and rolloff boxes only (large containers). See the *Mixed Recycling Guide for Carts & Cans* for the smaller containers. You can put anything in the large recycling containers that is on the “yes” list on the inside of this brochure as long as it fits in the bin when the lid is closed. To recycle even larger items, call 897-2542.

## What Containers are Available ?

Large container recycling is available in dumpsters, rolloff boxes, and compactors. Large containers can take a few materials that cannot be recycled in carts or cans such as plastic bags, shrink wrap, large metal items, wooden pallets, carpet, and plastic furniture. The smallest dumpster, 1.5 cubic yards, is the same volume as three 95-gallon carts or 9 cans.

Call your hauler to start or change service.

BFI: 965-5248

MarBorg: 963-1852



## How Do I Prepare the Materials?

Please do not bag recycling. Put it loose all together inside the bin.

### Paper & Cardboard

Paper clips and staples are okay. Unopened mail is acceptable as well. Break down boxes. Remove Styrofoam blocks and put in trash.

### Glass Bottles & Jars

Rinsing is preferable, but glass can be dirty. Labels and lids are okay.

### Metal

Rinsing is preferable, but metal can be dirty. Rust, paint, labels, grease, and some non-metal parts are okay. Paint cans, aerosol cans, and containers must be completely empty and dry.

### Wood and Carpet

Nails, screws, hinges, or paint on wood are okay. Carpet can be dirty.

### Plastic

No plastic with food or liquid in it. **Please rinse the food containers.** If plastic contains food, we may lose the ability to recycle it.

## Where Does the Material Go?

Recycling from large containers goes to the MarBorg Recycling Center near the Santa Barbara Airport. All Mixed Recycling is sorted first by machine, then by people into many different categories.

## When is the Recycling Picked Up?

Large container recycling can be picked up from one to six days per week.



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# Mixed Recycling Guide for Dumpsters

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